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Lewis County: Boil water advisory ends for residents of Pe Ell

OLYMPIA — The boil water advisory for the town of Pe Ell has been lifted. Almost 1,300 people were affected for nearly a week.

The state Department of Health issued the advisory as a precaution. The town's water treatment plant could not adequately treat flood-churned river water and began drawing from an unnamed creek, which triggered the advisory. Test results show the treated creek water is safe to drink.

Across the state only five water systems remain under flood-related health advisories. The advisories affect about 500 people in Pacific, King, Snohomish, Kittitas, and Yakima Counties. Full water service has been restored to more than 8,600 people throughout the state.

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